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18. [] LIAISON Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, called and changed the session this afternoon with the Defense Subcommittee to 4:00 p. m.

19. [] LIAISON Accompanied the Director, Messrs. Cliff Strathern, [], Africa Division, and [] Deputy Comptroller, to a briefing of the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee. (See Memo for the Record.)

20. [] LIAISON At the request of [] [] OER, I called Rick Gilmore, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and reminded him that he had promised us a copy of the report on Soviet grain. He said he thought he had sent a copy to us and regretted the oversight and stated he would send one out right away. He also said he would like an update on a previous briefing on Soviet grain prior to hearings to be held on the subject which he believes will begin sometime after the recess. He will call regarding the time and date for the briefing. Gilmore later sent us a copy of the report, which was given to []

21. [] BRIEFING I accompanied [] NIO/Middle East, and John Helgerson, OCI, to a briefing of the Special Subcommittee on Investigations, House International Relations Committee, on the current situation in the Middle East with particular emphasis on Lebanon. As was expected, Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.) raised the issue of the Washington Post article commenting on the statement before the AIAA regarding Israeli nuclear weapons. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

22. [] LEGISLATION Spoke with Mr. James Davidson, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, Senate Government Operations Committee, requesting an informal meeting with him later this week to discuss S.2925, the Government Economy and Spending Reform Act of 1976. We set up a meeting for Thursday afternoon, April 15. [] Comptroller's office, will accompany me.

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